

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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[EPA-HQ-OECA-2012-0656; FRL-9531-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NSPS for Lead-Acid Battery Manufacturing (Renewal)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION**: Notice.

**SUMMARY**: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this document announces that an Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This is a request to renew an existing approved collection. The ICR which is abstracted below describes the nature of the collection and the estimated burden and cost.

**DATES**: Additional comments may be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE **FEDERAL REGISTER**].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number EPA-HQ-OECA-2012-0656, to: (1) EPA online, using www.regulations.gov (our preferred method), or by email to: docket.oeca@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), Environmental Protection Agency, Enforcement and Compliance Docket and Information Center, mail code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460; and (2) OMB at: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: Learia Williams, Compliance Assessment and Media Programs Division, Office of Compliance, Mail Code 2227A, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460; telephone

number: (202) 564-4113; fax number: (202) 564-0050; email address: williams.learia@epa.gov. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**: EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On October 17, 2012 (77 FR 63813), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments. Any additional comments on this ICR should be submitted to both EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under docket ID number

EPA-HQ-OECA-2012-0656, which is available for either public viewing online at

<a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>, or in person viewing at the Enforcement and Compliance Docket in
the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW,
Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30
p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading
Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the Enforcement and Compliance Docket
is (202) 566-1752.

Use EPA's electronic docket and comment system at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>, to either submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the docket, and to access those documents in the docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "docket search," then key in the docket ID number identified above. Please note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>, as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, Confidentiality of Business

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Information (CBI), or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute.

For further information about the electronic docket, go to www.regulations.gov.

**Title**: NSPS for Lead-Acid Battery Manufacturing (Renewal)

ICR Numbers: EPA ICR Number 1072.10, OMB Control Number 2060-0081

**ICR Status:** This ICR is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2013. Under OMB regulations, the Agency may continue to either conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB.

Abstract: The affected entities are subject to the General Provisions of the NSPS at 40 CFR part 60, subpart A, and any changes, or additions to the Provisions specified at 40 CFR part 60, subpart KK. Owners or operators of the affected facilities must submit an initial notification report, performance tests, and periodic reports and results. Owners or operators are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. Reports are required annually at a minimum.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Owners or operators of lead-acid battery manufacturing facilities.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 52

Frequency of Response: Initially and semiannually

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 4,053

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$404,122, which includes \$392,422 in labor costs, no capital/startup costs, and \$11,700 in operation and maintenance (O&M) costs.

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Changes in the Estimates: There is no change in the labor hours in this ICR compared to

the previous ICR. This is due to two considerations: 1) the regulations have not changed over

the past three years and are not anticipated to change over the next three years; and 2) the

growth rate for the industry is very low, negative or non-existent, so there is no significant

change in the overall burden. However, there is an increase in the total respondent labor costs as

currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved Burdens. This increase is not due to any

program changes. The change in cost estimates reflects updated labors rates available from the

Bureau of Labor Statistics.

There is a slight decrease in the annual O&M cost from the previous ICR due to

mathematical rounding. The previous ICR estimated an O&M cost of \$11,700, but rounded the

figure to the nearest thousand, or \$12,000. This ICR presents a more accurate cost figure.

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